GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are aware of the difficulties faced by the tourists and people of Kerala living in other parts of the country due to inadequate rail services to Kerala from Mumbai, Ahmedabad, Delhi and Kanpur; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Railways for introduction of more trains from these places to Kerala?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) & (b): It has been decided to introduce Thiruvananthapuram-Mumbai Garib Rath Express during 2007-2008. Further, 52 Summer Specials between Kerala-Mumbai and 22 Summer Specials between Kerala-Delhi are being run during Summer 2007 to clear the extra rush. Load of 6311/6312 Thiruvananthapuram-Bikaner Express via Ahmedabad has been augmented from 18 to 21 by 2 sleeper and 1 AC-3 tier coaches.